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C O N F I D E N T I A L ACCRA 1713

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRN GH

SUBJ: CIVAIR - RESUMPTION OF BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS

REF: ACCRA 1708

1. QUARM TELEPHONED THIS AFTERNOON (3/26) TO SAY THAT WITH CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY HE HAD MANAGED TO GET APPROVAL THAT TALKS IN ACCRA COULD BE POSTPONED UNTIL ABOUT APRIL 17. QUARM SAID HE EXPLAINED TO OTHERS OUR DOUBTS ABOUT ABILITY TO REACH AGREEMENT WITHOUT CONSIDERABLE GHANAIAAN FLEXIBILITY, BUT IT WAS CLEAR THAT GHANA GOVERNMENT WOULD EXPECT SOME CONCRETE AND SPECIFIC PROGRESS TOWARDS AGREEMENT DURING APRIL TALKS.

2. COMMENT: WE READ QUARM ADVICE TO MEAN THAT ASANTE WAS READY TO TERMINATE PANAM AS OF END OF MARCH AND THAT APRIL 17 MEETING MAY GAIN PANAM ONLY 2/3 WEEKS ADDITIONAL SERVICE IN GHANA UNLESS SOMEHOW IMPRESSION OF SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS AT APRIL TALKS CAN BE VREATED.

3. EMBOFF MENTIONED PRESS REPORT MARCH 26 OF MAJOR ASANTE PUBLIC STATEMENT OF OAU/ECA MEETING IN ACCRA ON WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICAN TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS. ASANTE TOLD CONFIDENTIAL

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GROUP EXAMPLE OF COOPERATION COULD BE THAT GHANA AIRWAYS

WOULD ADVOCATE SETTING UP AIR WEST AFRICA TO WORK IN  
CONJUNCTION WITH EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS AND AIR AFRIQUE.  
EMBOFF NOTED WE WOULD PROBABLY FIND IT MUCH EASIER WORK  
OUT ARRANGEMENTS WITH REGIONAL THAN NATIONAL AIRLINE.  
QUARM THREW COLD WATER ON IDEA, SAYING MERGER WITH  
NIGERIAN AIRWAYS OR NATIONAL AIRLINES IN AREAS WAS  
PURELY HYPOTHETICAL AND NOT FAR ENOUGH ALONG TO SERVE AS  
BASIS FOR DISCUSSION IN US-GOG TALKS.

4. PLEASE CONFIRM ARRIVAL TIME AND COMPOSITION OF U.S.  
DELEGATION TO APRIL 17 MEETING.  
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